



PATENT
Attorney Docket No. DHI-03864

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: James L. Brown
Serial No.: 09/539,735
Filed: 03/30/00
Entitled: DIAGNOSIS OF AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE

Group No.: P. Nolan
Examiner: 1644

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Dated: July 24, 2003 By: Cliff Cannon-Cin

Sir or Madam:

Transmitted herewith is an **Amendment and Response to February 24, 2003 Office Action and Summary of Interview, with 11 tabs**, for this application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total Claims	32	—	20	12	×	18.00	\$240.00
Independent Claims	6	—	3	3	×	84.00	\$252.00

Two Month Extension of Time \$410.00

SUBTOTAL \$902.00

Small Entity 50% Filing Fee Reduction — \$451.00

TOTAL DUE \$451.00

Applicant submits the following for filing in this application:

- Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO 1449 - with 11 references attached to the Amendment..
- Petition for extension of time. The undersigned attorney of record hereby petitions for an extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, as may be required, to file this response.
- Check for **\$451.00** is attached.
- Please charge any additional fees, including any fees necessary for extensions of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. **08-1290**. **An originally executed duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.**

Dated: July 24, 2003

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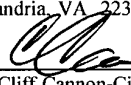
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Sir:

The following communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed February 24, 2003, a response to which is due on or before May 24, 2003. A Request and fee for an extension of time is enclosed. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this communication.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this communication.

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